

REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-42 are pending in this case. Claims 1-42 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Claims 1-20 have been withdrawn.

Response to Restriction Requirement

In response to the requirement for restriction and/or election as indicated in the Official Action mailed April 5, 2004, Applicant hereby elects with traverse to proceed with substantive examination on Species II corresponding to Figure 4 which includes claims 21-42.

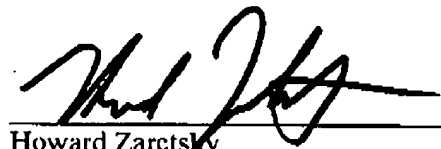
Claims 1-20 are withdrawn being directed to non-elected inventions, particularly species I which includes claims 1-20.

This response is due April 5, 2004. This response is therefore timely filed.

Applicants believe this reply to the restriction requirement is complete and respectfully solicit the Examiner to proceed with examination of this patent applications on the merits. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

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